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SUBJ: THIRD COMMITTEE-INTERNATIONAL COVENANTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS,
ITEM 84

1. MARC SCHREIBER, DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF HUMAN RIGHTS,
ANNOUNCED TO THIRD COMITE OCT 3 THAT GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA
HAD DEPOSITED ITS RATIFICATION OF BOTH INTERNATIONAL
COVENANTS WITH THE SECT TODAY. THUS, REQUIRED NUMBER OF
35 RATIFICATIONS FOR THE COVENANT ON ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
RIGHTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED, AND COVENANT WILL ENTER INTO
FORCE IN 90 DAYS. COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL
RIGHTS, WITH 34 RATIFICATIONS, IS ONLY ONE SHORT OF THAT REQUIRED.
WHEN IT COMES INTO FORCE, SO WILL OPTIONAL PROTOCOL, FOR
THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF RATIFICATIONS FOR IT HAVE ALREADY BEEN
RECIEVED.

2. UKUN HAS INFORMED MISOFF THAT HMG HAS NO PRESENT PLANS
TO REQUEST RATIFICATION OF EITHER COVENANT IN PARLIAMENT.
WHILE HIS GOVERNMENT STILL HOPES TO DO SO SOME TIME IN THE
FUTURE, THIS HAS CLEARLY BECOME A MATTER OF LOW PRIORITY
FOR THE FOREIGN OFFICE.
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